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Dear Sir:

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed in compliance with quidelines set forth in 37 CFR 1.98(a) for satisfying the duty of Applicants and counsel to disclose to the Office information known thereto that is material to the examination of the application.

Inasmuch as this paper is being filed within three months of the filing date of the above-identified application, as is called for in 37 CFR 1.97(b), it is respectfully requested that due consideration be given to the art that is cited herein, and that such art be made "of record" during the prosecution of this application.

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The references listed on the accompanying PTO-1449 forms were considered during the preparation of the application identified above. It is respectfully requested that they be considered and made of record during the prosecution of the application.

While it is believed that the claimed subject matter of the above-identified application distinguishes patentably over all of the above-listed references and information, the Examiner's careful review is respectfully requested.

Copies of such references as are listed on the accompanying PTO-1449 forms are appended.

In the event that the Applicants learn of other material information during the pendency of the present application, such information will be brought promptly to the attention of the Examiner.

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